REMARKS

The present application is the United States National Phase of International Patent Application No. PCT/DE04/000922.

The PCT application was amended before the International Bureau on February 25, 2005 to revise independent Claim 1, and to add new independent Claim 11.

The present Preliminary Amendment revises the form of the PCT claims to delete the multiple dependent format thereof. New Claim 12 corresponds to PCT Claim 4/2; new Claim 13 corresponds to PCT Claim 4/3; new Claim 14 corresponds to PCT Claim 5/2; new Claim 15 corresponds to PCT Claim 5/3; new Claim 16 corresponds to PCT Claim 6/2; new Claim 17 corresponds to PCT Claim 2/11; new Claim 18 corresponds to PCT Claim 3/11; new Claim 19 corresponds to PCT Claim 4/11; and new Claim 20 corresponds to PCT Claim 5/11.

Amendments to the specification of the PCT application were previously made on February 25, 2005, before the International Bureau. Copies of the amended pages of the specification, and

English translations thereof, are being filed concurrently herewith.

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